

# JANUARY 2009



Happy New Year. I hope you have all enjoyed the Christmas break and are looking forward to getting back on court if you haven't already done so.

We certainly have a busy schedule ahead of us. Our organised social playing days have started up again and junior and senior coaching is due to resume. Also our interclub teams are about to continue competition, and it's great to see that all three of our Women's teams are particularly well placed. We also have our Club Champs coming up.

With the hot weather and the reduced level of play over the Christmas period the grass courts are in really good shape and are playing beautifully. Row one has been rested for several weeks so that it will be in top condition for our Veteran's tournament at the end of the month, and will be opened up again this coming weekend.

As I mentioned in the last newsletter we are participating in the New Zealand Tennis Combined Campaign Open Day on the 15<sup>th</sup> of February 2009. There will be a lot of publicity around this event to coincide with the media hype and coverage of the ASB Classic, Heinekin Open and the Australian Open. So be sure to invite your friends and colleagues for an afternoon of free tennis (1:30pm-4pm). Enclosed with this newsletter is a flyer advertising the event which I encourage you to pass on to a friend or colleague.



I look forward to seeing you on court.

David Corlett  
President



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### **New members**

A warm welcome to the following new members:

Chris Doyle and Megan Bannister, Emily, Sam, and Georgia;  
Il Do and Jong Kyeong;  
Brett Leyden;  
Sang Yoon Kim.

### **Tournament for junior members a success**

Just prior to Christmas Christine Yap our junior administrator organised a small tournament for our junior members. It was good to see the high level of participation and a big thank you to Christine for organising this.

### **Three club members selected for Canterbury development squads**

Congratulations to Stephanie Jeffs for being selected for the Wilding Squad, Hayden Joblin for the Performance Squad, and Spencer Sandridge for the Regional Squad.

### **Tennis coaching**

Mark our resident coach tore his Achilles tendon in late December and we wish him a speedy recovery. Coaching will continue as normal as Mark has his coaching team picking up extra duties.



#### Holiday Coaching for juniors

This will be on the 26<sup>th</sup> to the 29<sup>th</sup> of January, 9:30am-12 noon. Contact Mark if interested. The cost is \$70.

#### Junior Interclub team coaching

Commencing in the first week of February.

#### Beginner Coaching

If you know anyone who would like to learn how to play tennis Easi-Tennis is a course for beginners which runs for 6 weeks with 1.5 hour sessions and costs \$69. The next course starts on the 5<sup>th</sup> of February.

Don't forget that you can also join Mark's group lessons on Thursday night at 7pm. The cost is \$10 per person.

#### Social tennis

Continues this Wednesday evening at 6pm. We encourage players of all standards to join in.

If you have any questions about coaching you can contact Mark on either **3486108** or **0274986363**.

### **Mid-week Tennis**

If you are interested in having a social hit on Tuesday mornings, please contact Liz Rivers on: 351 5838. While this is a mostly women's group, men are also welcome to join.

We also have a Wednesday morning mid week ladies interclub group. This is a reasonable standard and they play with a variety of other Christchurch clubs most Wednesday mornings. If you are interested in learning more about this group, contact Jane Wright on: (03) 302 8890.

### **Club Champs**

The singles draw for the Club champs has been prepared. All senior members who play interclub have been included in the draw. If you are not included in the draw but wish to be then please email David Corlett at [d.corlett@transport.govt.nz](mailto:d.corlett@transport.govt.nz). If you do not wish to participate then please contact your opponent and notify them.

Member's telephone numbers are included in the membership list sent out last year and a suitable day to play the match should be arranged. The first round games will need to be completed by the first of February. All winners of matches should email David Corlett with the result. We have done a rough seeding so that players will start off by playing opponents of a similar ability.

Those wishing to enter into either the doubles or mixed doubles should also email David with their name and that of their partner by 1 February.

### **34th Annual Open**

#### **Veterans' Tournament**

AT HAGLEY PARK RICCARTON AVENUE  
( Grass Courts )

**24th & 25th January 2009**

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**Saturday: Men's & Women's Doubles A & B**  
**Grades plus 60 +( Men ), 55+ ( Women )**

**Sunday: Mixed Doubles ( Combined Ages )**

**Entries to be accompanied by fees, close 19th January 2009**

Each entrant will receive a small gift from the Club and drink voucher  
provided by Christchurch Casino

**ENTRY FORM:** Click [here](#) to download an entry form.

### **Sky T.V. to pull coverage of some grand slam events?**

There is a suggestion that Sky may be considering not showing some of the tennis grand slams as a cost saver. If this is of concern to those of you who subscribe to Sky you may want to contact Sky to make this concern known.



### **INTERNATIONAL TENNIS**

SunSmart Canterbury vs Victoria

Canterbury Tennis is hosting the annual Trans-Tasman Tennis Challenge and they invite club members to come along and enjoy an evening of quality tennis.

The SunSmart Canterbury team will be hosting an Australian state side from Victoria at the Scenic Circle Tennis Centre on Monday, 26 January 2009 starting at 4.15pm.

Tickets can be obtained from ASB branches.

### **Keen tennis player seeks homestay**

AFS is trying to find a host family for a student arriving in February who plays tennis back in his home town in Brazil. Rafael is 17 and he has been in some high level championship competitions. Rafael enjoys reading and he also helps out in his community when he can. He would love to be hosted by a NZ family who shares his passion for Tennis. Contact Lauren at [afsnzmarketing@gmail.com](mailto:afsnzmarketing@gmail.com) for more details.

## Hagley Park to host charity tennis tournament

The Champion Centre is organizing the **Geraldine Hazlett Charity Tennis Tournament 2009**. It will be held on Sunday, 1 March at 1.30pm (with refreshments from 5pm-6pm).

The venue is the Hagley Park Tennis Club and the cost per person is \$50. Cheques payable to the 'Champion Centre'.

The Champion Centre exists to provide high quality family/whanau based early intervention services for families who have children with multifaceted development delay. They educate about early intervention and act with parents of the children with development delay as advocates for adequate and appropriate community services for them and their children.

Please contact: **Margaret Howie on Ph: 021 -883300 or email: [margaret@championcentre.org.nz](mailto:margaret@championcentre.org.nz) to register for this tournament.**

Registrations close: Thursday 19 February

## Rebel Sports to shoot commercial at Hagley Park Tennis Club?

If you see video cameras at the Club on January 20th 2009 it's because Rebel Sports want to use our idyllic tennis courts as a setting for a photo shoot. If this proceeds we will be sure to seek some contribution from them to benefit our members.



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